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Good morning,

A FOIA request is attached and the text is below. Thank you for your assistance.

Kind regards, Joanna McCall On behalf of National Corporate Research LTD (800) 494-5225 or (202) 370-4750 Fax: (800) 494-7512

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August 7, 2015

National Freedom of Information Officer U.S. EPA, Records, FOIA and Privacy Branch 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W. (2822T) Washington, D.C. 20460

Re:

Freedom of Information Act Request

Dear Sir or Madam:

Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), as amended, 5 U.S.C. §§ 552, et seq., and the United States Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) rules issued thereunder, 40 C.F.R. Part 2, National Corporate Research, Ltd. (NCR) hereby requests from EPA all internal EPA memoranda, e-mails, or other internal correspondence ("correspondence") dated from 2012-2015 from the Office of Chemical Safety and Pollution Prevention's (OCSPP) Office of Pollution Prevention and Toxics' (OPPT) upper management (e.g., Jim Jones, Louise Wise, Wendy Cleland-Hamnett, or Jeff Morris) to OPPT division directors, supervisors, or staff engaged in review of new chemicals that relate to regulatory or technical review aspects of submissions under Section 5 of the Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA). In particular, we request correspondence that addresses consideration of relative risk and/or consideration of burdens associated with restrictions or testing for new chemicals, particularly biobased new chemicals that are functionally equivalent to, or nearly equivalent to, existing chemicals already on the Inventory. In particular, we are interested in such correspondence identifying

OPPT guidance concerning biobased new chemicals which can substitute for, or be an alternative to, petroleum-based existing chemicals.

Because the requested information is guidance that is not related to a particular EPA action or decision, we do not believe is should be afforded protection from disclosure. If for any reason you determine that portions of the requested information are exempt from disclosure under FOIA, please delete the allegedly exempt material, inform us of the basis for the claimed exemption, and furnish us with copies of those portions of the information that you determine not to be exempt. NCR consents to such deletion at this time to facilitate your prompt response and in no way waives our right to appeal any determination that you may make regarding the applicability of any FOIA exemptions to the requested documents and information.

NCR requests that you provide us with accurate copies or a complete and accurate account of the information requested. NCR agrees to pay reasonable search and reproduction costs; if these costs exceed \$200.00, however, NCR requests that you notify us before reproducing the documents. NCR understands it can expect a response within 20 days of your receipt of this letter.

If you have any questions about this request or require further information, please contact us at 800.494.5225 or agency@nationalcorp.com. Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

Joanna McCall Assistant Secretary On behalf of National Corporate Research, Ltd. (202)370-4750 agency@nationalcorp.com

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